VENTURA COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

BOARD POLICY NO. 3513 ADOPTED: 02/24/97

CLASSIFICATION: Business and Noninstructional Operations REVISED:

SUBJECT: Facilities, Use of

It is the policy of the Board to encourage the use of its educational facilities. The educational facilities, grounds, and equipment/ furniture at the Office are established, operated, and maintained by public funds. Therefore, the Board makes these facilities available to assist groups, organizations, agencies, or institutions within the community for the temporary periods when these facilities are not in use by the Superintendent.

The Office shall charge fees not to exceed the direct cost for the use of its facilities, grounds, and equipment/furniture by nonprofit organizations, clubs, or associations which promote youth and school activities, or by tax-exempt nonprofit foundations affiliated with the Board and the Superintendent when alternative locations are not available to these groups. Direct costs means those costs of supplies, utilities, janitorial services, services of any other district employees, and salaries paid to school district employees necessitated by the organization's use of the school facilities and grounds. Should the use of facilities be requested at a time when custodial services are not normally available or a special equipment/furniture setup is requested, a fee equal to the cost of those services may be charged.

At the discretion of the Superintendent, facilities, grounds, and equipment/furniture may be made available at direct operations costs to other nonprofit educational, civic, cultural, public welfare, political, and/or religious activities which serve a public purpose and are consistent with the conduct and best interest of the educational and administrative activities of the Board and the Superintendent. At the discretion of the Superintendent, facilities, grounds, and equipment/furniture also may be made available at fair rental value for activities which do not serve a public educational purpose.

The use of facilities, grounds, and equipment/furniture at the Office in accordance with this policy by any authorized group or organization shall not constitute an endorsement, either express or implied, by the Board or the Superintendent of such groups' programs, aims, objectives, and actions.

The Superintendent shall establish an administrative regulation to implement the use of the facilities at the Office in accordance with this policy.

Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE

10900-10914.5 Community recreation programs

32282 School safety plan 37220 School holidays

38130-38138 Civic Center Act, use of school property for public purposes

BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONS CODE

25608 Alcoholic beverage on school premises

UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 20

7905 Equal access to public school facilities